

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A method for obtaining archaeobacterial DNA polymerase from a sample comprising:

fractionating a sample comprising at least one archaeobacterial DNA polymerase using Poly U Sepharose chromatography; and

obtaining substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase.

2. (Currently amended) A method of claim 1 wherein the sample fractionated by Poly U Sepharose chromatography is obtained from a prior fractionation of an initial sample comprising at least one archaeobacterial DNA polymerase.

3. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 1 wherein the sample fractionated by Poly U Sepharose chromatography is obtained from a prior chromatography of an initial sample comprising at least one DNA polymerase.

4. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 3 wherein the prior chromatography comprises hydrophobic chromatography.

5. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 3 wherein the prior chromatography comprises affinity chromatography.

6. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 3 wherein the prior chromatography comprises use of a matrix with heparin.

7. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 6 wherein the prior chromatography comprises use of Heparin Sepharose chromatography.

8. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 3 wherein the prior chromatography comprises use of a matrix with a dye-binding material.

9. (Withdrawn) A method of claim 8 wherein the prior chromatography comprises use of Blue Sepharose chromatography.

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase is at least about 95% homogeneous.

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase is at least about 85-90% homogeneous.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase is at least about 75-85% homogeneous.

13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the sample comprises cells that comprise a recombinant expression vector capable of expressing an archaeobacterial DNA polymerase.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the cells are bacterial, yeast, mammalian, or insect cells.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the sample comprises archaeobacterial cells.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase is *Pfu* DNA polymerase I.

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the substantially pure archaeobacterial DNA polymerase is *Pfu* DNA polymerase II.

19. (Withdrawn) A method for obtaining substantially pure DNA polymerase comprising:

- (a) obtaining a sample comprising at least one DNA polymerase;
- (b) fractionating the sample using hydrophobic chromatography;
- (c) fractionating the product of (b) using Heparin Sepharose chromatography;
- (d) fractionating the product of (c) using Blue Sepharose chromatography;
- (e) fractionating the product of (c) Using Poly U Sepharose chromatography; and
- (f) obtaining substantially pure DNA polymerase.

20. (Withdrawn) A composition of matter comprising a substantially pure DNA polymerase obtained from the method of claim 1 or 19.

21. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 20 wherein the DNA polymerase is an archaeobacterial DNA polymerase.

22. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 20 wherein the DNA polymerase is *Pfu* DNA polymerase I.

23. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 20 wherein the DNA polymerase is *Pfu* DNA polymerase II.

24. (Withdrawn) A kit for obtaining substantially pure DNA polymerase comprising poly U chromatography resin.

25. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 24 wherein the DNA polymerase is an archaeobacterial DNA polymerase.

26. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 24 wherein the DNA polymerase is *Pfu* DNA polymerase.